

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

LIIKANEN et al.

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For:

"METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING EFFECTIVE TRACK WIDTH THROUGH HIGHLY SKEWED HEAD

ANGLES"

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 2651

Examiner: Negron, Daniell L.

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 19, 2005

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Debbie K. Keller

This is a reply to the Office Action dated October 19, 2005. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A request for a two-month extension of time accompanies this Reply. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the credit card identified on Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$450.00 for the two-month extension fee.

Please note that the **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

Please also note that the **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. In addition, please note that the **Remarks** begin on page 23 of this paper.